



**CITY OF MERRILL**  
**COMMON COUNCIL**  
**AGENDA • TUESDAY JUNE 14, 2016**

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**Regular Meeting**

**City Hall Council Chambers**

**7:00 PM**

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1. Call to Order
2. Invocation by Deacon Jim Arndt, St. Francis Xavier Church
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Roll Call
5. Public Comment Period
6. Minutes of previous Common Council meeting(s):
  1. Minutes of May 10th, 2016 meeting
7. Revenue & Expense Reports(s):
  1. Revenue & Expense Report for Period Ending May 31, 2016
8. Communications and Petitions:
  1. Claim filed by Jeffrey Winter for damages to a door at an apartment building he owns at 402 West Main Street, as a result of forced entry by the Police Department. The City's insurance carrier recommends that the claim be disallowed. This recommendation is based on the fact that an investigation by the insurance carrier revealed no negligence on behalf of the City. The City of Merrill Police Department was responding to an emergency and entered the apartment, as directed by those present, to protect the safety of a child.
9. General agenda items:
  1. Employee Years of Service Recognition:  
Carol R. Engebretson, 10 years (Library)
  2. 2015 Audit Presentation by Schenck SC representatives
  3. Tourism Commission/Room Tax Report
10. Board of Public Works:
  1. Consider Street Use Permit Applications from Ott's Garage Teen Center, 805 E. Main Street, on August 11th & August 19th, 2016. The Board of Public Works recommends approval.
11. City Plan Commission:
  1. Site Plan for expansion at Pine Crest Nursing Home, 2100 East Sixth Street. The City Plan Commission recommends approval.
  2. Site Plan for Northcentral Technical College (NTC) range on Champagne Street. The City Plan Commission recommends approval.

12. Community Development Committee:
  1. Economic Development Loan of \$4,000 to the Goblin Workshop, 416 West Main Street, for building repairs. The loan would have a term of 2.5 years and an interest rate of 2%, The City would have a first lien on the equipment. A Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) would be filed to protect the loan. The Community Development Committee recommends approval.
13. Health and Safety Committee:
  1. Applications from Fraternal Order of Eagles for five temporary Class "B" (picnic) licenses to sell fermented beverages in the Eagle's Fairstand at the Merrill Festival Grounds during the Lincoln County Free Fair, July 20–July 24, 2016. The Health and Safety Committee recommends approval.
  2. Applications from Merrill Alumni Wrestling Club for five temporary Class "B" (picnic) licenses to sell fermented beverages in a fenced-in area at the Merrill Festival Grounds during the Lincoln County Free Fair, July 20–July 24, 2016. The Health and Safety Committee recommends approval.
  3. Applications from Merrill Firefighters Charities for three temporary Class "B" (picnic) licenses to sell fermented malt beverages at Ott's Park during the Merrill Firefighters Charities Softball Tournament, August 5-7, 2016. The Health and Safety Committee recommends approval.
  4. 2016-2017 Liquor License Applications (per list). The Health and Safety Committee recommends approval.
  5. Consider request from Ballyhoos, 124 North Prospect Street, to close Prospect Street (Grand Avenue to the alley just north of West Main Street), from 8:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. on Saturday, July 30, 2016. Ballyhoos is also requesting an extension of premises to sell alcoholic beverages in an area on Prospect Street from Grand Avenue to the area adjacent to the south side of the Miller Home Furnishings building and extending into Cenotaph Park from 8:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. that same day. Both requests are in conjunction with the Merrill Lobster Fest. The Health and Safety Committee recommends approval.
14. Personnel and Finance Committee:
  1. Request from TowerCo to buy out their lease for the new cell tower parcel on the former Anson Gilkey property. The Personnel and Finance Committee recommends approving the latest buyout offer of \$261,000, with the \$261,000 in turn given to the River District Development Foundation of Merrill.
15. Redevelopment Authority:
  1. Consider purchase of the lot between West Tenth Street and West St. Paul Street - vacant lot owned by Kathleen Kienitz-Olson and Geraldine Knowles (TID No. 11 - Northwest Area) for \$9,165.84. The Redevelopment Authority recommends approval.

2. Consider purchase of the lot at 911 East Main Street (TID No. 6 - Downtown) for \$3,000.00. The Redevelopment Authority recommends approval.
16. Placing Committee Reports on File:
  1. Consider placing the following reports on file: Airport Commission, Board of Public Works, Board of Review, City Plan Commission, Committee of the Whole, Community Development Committee, Health and Safety Committee, Housing Authority, Joint Review Board, Library Board, Merrill Enrichment Center Committee, Personnel and Finance Committee, Redevelopment Authority, Transit Commission, Water and Sewage Disposal Committee & Zoning Board of Appeals.
17. Mayor's Appointments:
  1. Dave Sukow, to the Parks and Recreation Commission, term to expire May 1, 2017.
18. Ordinances: (None)
19. Resolutions:
  1. A Resolution authorizing purchase of 1905 East 14th Street to facilitate future multi-family residential redevelopment. The Redevelopment Authority recommends approval.
  2. A Resolution authorizing purchases of various properties along State Highway 64 (East Main Street) to facilitate future commercial redevelopment. The Redevelopment Authority recommends approval.
  3. A Resolution approving the 2015 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report for the City of Merrill Wastewater Treatment Plant. The Water and Sewage Disposal Committee recommends approval.
  4. A Resolution honoring Michael J. Schreiber for his long-time service to the City of Merrill.
20. Mayor's Communications
21. Adjournment

William N. Heideman, CMC, WCMC  
City Clerk

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